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NOT HIM TOO!!
THUMP!

A CHILDHOOD ACCIDENT STOLE HIS SIGHT, BUT, INCREDIBLY, IT ENDOWED YOUNG MATT MURDOCK WITH RADAR VISION AND HEIGHTENED SENSES. ARMED ONLY WITH HIS ATHLETIC PROWESS, BILLY CLUB, AND INDOMITABLE COURAGE, MATT BATTLES INJUSTICE AS A CRIMSON-CLAD GLADIATOR!

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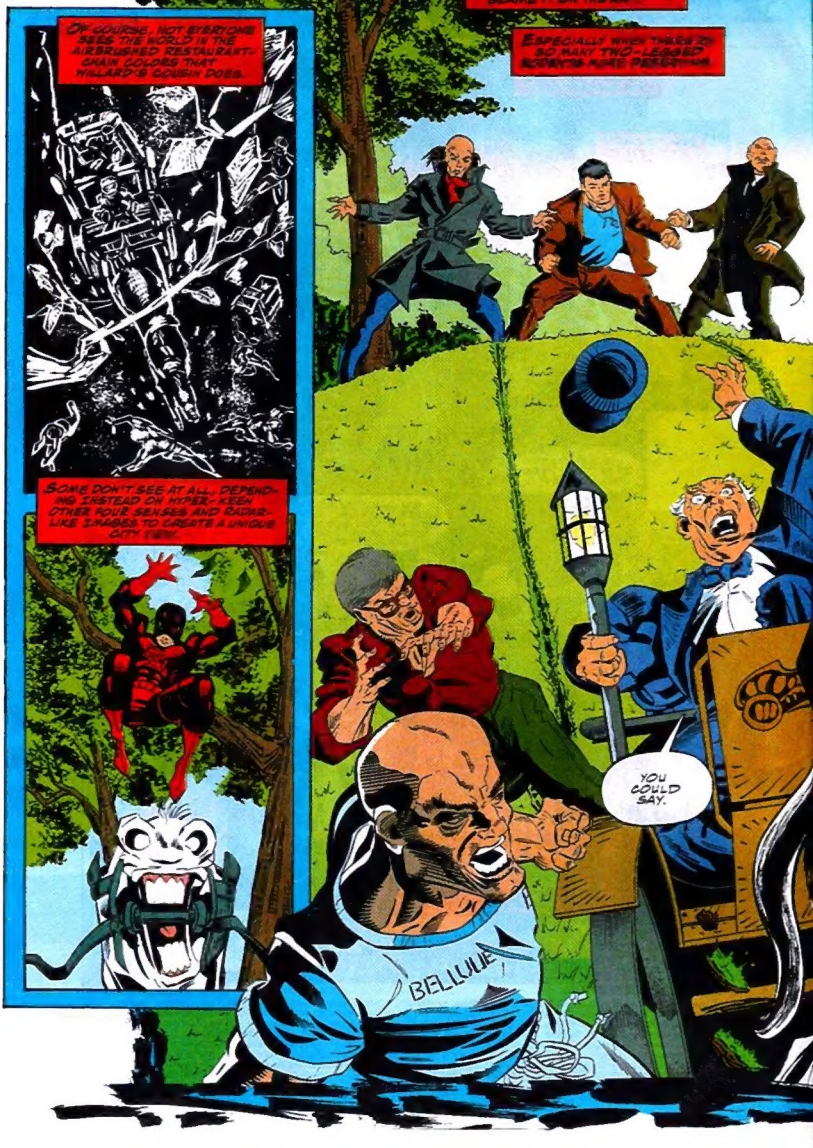

AND AS FAR AS PERSPECTIVE GOES, REMEMBER... DON'T BLAME IT ON THE RAT.

ESPECIALLY WHEN THERE'S SO MANY TWO-LEGGED [illegible]

OF COURSE, NOT EVERYONE SEES THE WORLD IN THE AIRBRUSHED RESTAURANT-CHAIN COLORS THAT WILLARD'S COUSIN DOES.

SOME DON'T SEE AT ALL, DEPENDING INSTEAD ON HYPER-KEEN OTHER FOUR SENSES AND RADAR-LIKE IMAGES TO CREATE A UNIQUE CITY VIEW.

YOU COULD SAY.

BELLUUE

GREASE IS THE WORD
PROBLEM?
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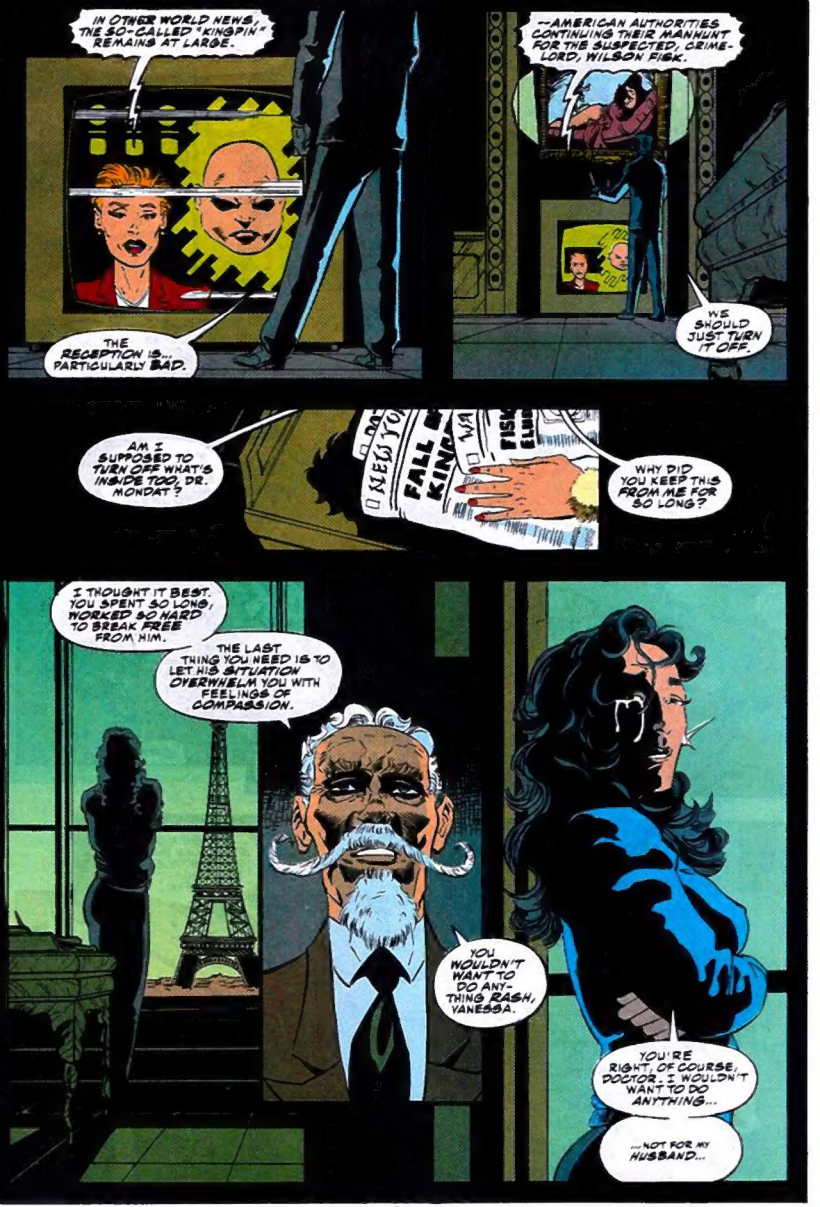
THIS IS KEEPING AN EYE, BONZONE? AND WHAT GOOD ARE YOUR PILLS HERE, GENTOL?
M-MY HEAD...
KNOW THAT COMMERCIAL, JET? THE ONE I'M THINKIN'?
ASPIRIN? EXTRA-STRENGTH?
GOTCHA, SPIT! OLD GUY'S FALLEN...
AND HE CAN'T GET UP!
PUNKS!
JIMMY, YOU OLD HUSTLER, YOU'RE GONNA BE OKAY...
NOT DIS TIME PETEY... NOT DIS TIME!
HAD YOUR WISEGUYS ON ME, DIN'TCHA? THOUGHT I'D LEAD YA RIGHT TO IT!
WHOA, NELLIE! YOU'VE DONE ENOUGH DAMAGE FOR ONE DAY!
LOOKS LIKE I GOT OUTTA DA JOINT... JUST IN TIME TO CHECK OUT!
YOU WAS ALWAYS A SMART ONE, PETEY... I KNOW WHAT YA WAS LOOKIN' TO GET YOUR HANDS ON!
SAME'S ME... MAKE ALL MY TIME IN THE BIG HOUSE WORTH IT!

LISTEN... THERE'S THIS GREASE, SEE? ALL DIS GREASE... RESTAURANT GREASE! FIVE HUNDRED BEES WORTH!
KEEP TALKIN'.
MAN AFTER MY OWN GREEDY HEART.
DO YOU HEAR WHAT I'M SAYIN'? I'M SAYIN' IT TO YA!
YOU HEAR, JET?
I'M DEVELOPIN' A NEW RESPECT FOR MY ELDERS, WILD BOY!
GREASE? BLEECH! WHERE ARE MY ROLAIDS?
HALF A MIL'... YOU'RE NOT THINKIN A DOOKIN' US THAT, ARE YOU, MR. LONDON?
STASHED... BACK WHEN ...WHEN THE WORLD'S FAIR...
NOT TO YOU, OLD MAN! NOT ANYMORE!
THE PRICE OF MATERIAL PASSION LIKE YOURS IS PAYBACK!
...ACROSS FROM DA WORLD... IN DA NEW YORK STATE...
A FINE SENSE OF GEOGRAPHY FROM THE GEEZER!
THERE'S A MAN DYING HERE, PUNK! HOW ABOUT A LITTLE RESPECT?
KTHNK
KILL
THAT TAKES CARE OF THAT IDEA!

NEVER TOO LATE!
NOT THAT I'D EXPECT SOME OF THIS CROWD TO UNDERSTAND! GIVE THE MAN SOME ROOM!
I EXPECT BETTER OF YOU, LONDON.
I EXPECT BETTER OF MYSELF, DAREDEVIL.
REST EASY.
ALL THOSE NICE PEOPLE, RUSHING TO THIS POOR GUY'S AID!
THIS IS NEW YORK, BUBBA.
HEY, SO I GOT AN OVERACTIVE IMAGINATION!
ME, TOO.
AND IT'S WARNING ME SLICK JIMMY'S LEGACY'S A STICKY SITUATION...


IN OTHER WORLD NEWS, THE SO-CALLED "KINGPIN" REMAINS AT LARGE.
THE RECEPTION IS... PARTICULARLY BAD.
--AMERICAN AUTHORITIES CONTINUING THEIR MANHUNT FOR THE SUSPECTED, CRIME-LORD, WILSON FISK.
WE SHOULD JUST TURN IT OFF.
AM I SUPPOSED TO TURN OFF WHAT'S INSIDE TOO, DR. MONDAT?
FALL
KING
FISK
WHY DID YOU KEEP THIS FROM ME FOR SO LONG?
I THOUGHT IT BEST. YOU SPENT SO LONG, WORKED SO HARD TO BREAK FREE FROM HIM.
THE LAST THING YOU NEED IS TO LET HIS SITUATION OVERWHELM YOU WITH FEELINGS OF COMPASSION.
YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO DO ANY-THING RASH, VANESSA.
YOU'RE RIGHT, OF COURSE, DOCTOR... I WOULDN'T WANT TO DO ANYTHING...
...NOT FOR MY HUSBAND...

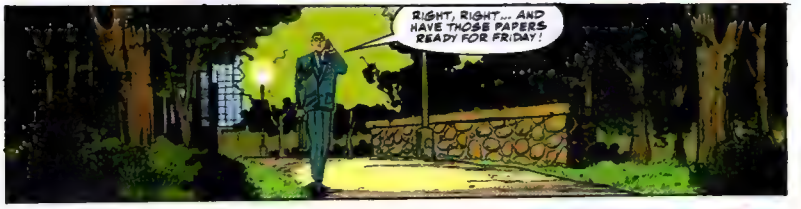
10 FLOORS FOR YOU TO STORE
"I DO SEE YOUR NAME THERE ON THE LIST, MR. DAY..."
...NOW YOU GO LOOK-SEE OUR OPENING AND CLOSING HOURS ON THE SIGN OVER THERE!
YOU CAN GET WHAT YOU GOT STORED TOMORROW!
STORE AT YOUR OWN R.I.S.K.
I NEED IT TONIGHT!
WE ALL GOT OUR NEEDS--HEY, WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!
KRATTLE
MAKING THE MOST OF THE SITUATION! I'M NOT AFRAID TO USE--
THWAK
"A FEW BUMPS ARE WORTH IT..."
OWWWW!
...HALF A MILLION WILL BUY MY WAY CLEAR OF A LOT OF BAD TIMES...
...AND BRING STILTMAN BACK IN THE STYLE I SO RIGHLY DESERVE!

THIS IS DISGUSTING! OH, I'M GONNA HURL!
KFC
I'M GONNA BARF! I'M GONNA HEAVE!
SAVE YOUR PRAYIN' TO THE PORCELAIN GOD, HERE COMES THE MAN!
I HEARD YOU WILD BOYS WERE REAL HANDS ON... SAVES ME THE TROUBLE!
THIS SLIME IS REALLY WORTH SOMETHIN'?
IT'S A MAD, MAD WORLD, BUT IT'S TRUE! EVERY GREASY DROP! GOES TOWARD FARM ANIMAL FEED, PET FOOD...
...AND SCAMMING AND SMUGGLING IT'S A SIGHT MORE PROFITABLE THAN DEALING IT LEGAL!
WE FIND THAT OLD STIFF'S GREASE STASH, JET, AND WE'RE SET FOR LIFE!
SPEAK FOR YOURSELF! I GOT WAYS TO SPEND MY HALF IN A WEEK!
HIGH FIVE!
MAYBE NOT.
KRKAAM

HE DO HAVE A CHEF'S POSITION OPEN BUT I NEED SOMEONE WITH EXPERIENCE.
IT'S NOT ONLY WHAT YOU PREPARE, BUT HOW YOU DO IT! OUR CLIENTELE APPRECIATES A CERTAIN SHOWMANSHIP!
FANCY MOVES HELD MINOR-LEAGUE MOB BOSSES LIKE PETE LONDON WITH THEIR DIGESTION, HUH?
HOW DID YOU KNOW MR. LONDON IS ONE OF OUR REGULARS?
I'M GOOD AT PICKING THINGS UP. LET ME TRY
IMPRESSIVE.
ALWAYS.
YOU'VE WORKED BEFORE, THEN!
MEYER, I'M WHAT YOU'D CALL A "QUICK STUDY."
AND YOU'RE WHAT I'D CAL. OUT OF A JOB...
...NOT TO MENTION OUT OF LUCK.

FOOLS! THEY CAN'T SEE WHAT IT DOES TO THEM... HOW JUST THE TALK OF MONEY MAKES THEM LESS THAN HUMAN!

THEY NEED A DOSE OF POVERTY TO GET THEM STRAIGHT... NEED TO COME DOWN TO THE LEVEL OF TATTERDEMALION!


RIGHT, RIGHT... AND HAVE THOSE PAPERS READY FOR FRIDAY!

THAT'S AN EXPENSIVE SUIT...
IT CERTAINLY IS! AND I DON'T NEED THE DRY CLEANING BILLS FROM THE LIKES OF YOU FOULING IT!

NOTHING... JUST ANOTHER PIECE OF OFFENSIVE HOMELESS TRASH!
THAT REMINDS ME... DID THE ACCOUNTANT FIX THOSE NUMBERS?
I WANT THE MAX CHARITY DEDUCTION ON MY RETURN!
HRSSS

WOE UNTO THOSE WHO WORSHIP AT THE TEMPLE OF THE DOLLAR...

LEMME GET THIS STRAIGHT, MURDOCK... GREASE?
THIS IS THE EXCLUSIVE STORY YOU PROMISED ME FOR NOT DOING THE AMY FISHER ROUTINE ON SHOCK AND HER SICK FAMILY UNIT?
MURDOCK
GREASE. YOU CAN'T MAKE THIS STUFF UP, BEN.
YOU COULD, BUT WHY WOULD YOU?
SHOULD I TURN MY BACK?
CRAZY AS IT ALL SOUNDS, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND IS STILL BOUND TO GET A LOT OF PEOPLE IN TROUBLE!
I'M GOING TO KEEP A WATCH ON LONDON, SEE IF A LID CAN'T BE KEPT ON THINGS.
ONLY IF YOU WANT TO KEEP FROM DEVELOPING AN INFERIORITY COMPLEX ABOUT YOUR MANHOOD!

NICE HOW THEY DO THIS FOR YA, MR. LONDON -- CLEAR THE JOINT OUT!
THAT'S RESPECT FOR YA... EVEN MORE SO ONCE YOU SCORE THAT HALF A MIL, HUH?
IF THAT'S THE CASE, MEATBALL, I'M NO LONGER SO CERTAIN THAT'S A REALISTIC GOAL.
C'MON, MR. LONDON, YOU ALREADY GOT SLICK JIMMY'S HIDEAWAY FIGURED THERE ON THE MAP, I BET.
DON'TCHA THINK, HACKER?
I THINK WE SHOULD'VE FINISHED TALKING ABOUT GREASE BEFORE DINNER--BLEECH!
BUT I'VE COME PREPARED...
AND WE AIN'T WALKING FROM THIS TABLE UNTIL WE'VE MADE SENSE OF THAT RANTING!
THIS ENTERPRISE IS NOW A GREAT DEAL DIFFERENT THAN FOLLOWING JIMMY TO THE END OF THE RAINBOW!
TURNING THE FIVE BOROUGHS UPSIDE DOWN COULD PROVE MORE COSTLY THAN THE RETURN.
A VOICE OF RELATIVE SANITY -- THANK YOU, PETER!
YOU ASK ME, I SAY GO FOR IT!
NOTHING VENTURED, NOTHING GAINED.
IT HITS THE MAN WITHOUT FEAR, THEN...
A VARIABLE HEART-BEAT SWITCHING TO A SUDDENLY RECOGNIZABLE AND PARTICULARLY DIRE RHYTHM
NOBODY ASKED YOU...
...TASKMASTER!

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE, TELLIN' PETE LONDON WHAT YOU THINK?!
HLK-SS!
OH, I DO LIKE THAT WHEEZE! NOT MUCH CALL FOR MIMICKING AN ASTHMATIC...
...BUT I NEVER PASS UP AN OPPORTUNITY TO MASTER A NEW SKILL!
BET YOU'RE GLAD I LEARNED THIS ONE FROM SOMEONE KNEW WHAT THEY WERE DOING, HUH?
THWOK!
SO MUCH FOR SANITY!
KRAASH!
I INTEND TO GET THE INSIDE INFO ON YOUR DEAD PAL, LONDON— MORE OF YOUR GOONS AREN'T GOING TO CHANGE THAT!
WHOEVER THAT IS, T' AIN'T OURS!
BEFORE YOU OPEN YOUR MOUTH AGAIN, MEATBALL, REMIND ME TO EXPLAIN TO YOU THE BENEFITS OF "KEEP 'EM GUESSING!"
MY THOUGHT EXACTLY!

"MEATBALL'S" HONESTY IS INSPIRING--
--ENOUGH CHARADES! I'D HOPED YOUR DINNER CONVERSATION WOULD'VE REVEALED WHERE THE OLD MAN STASHED HIS GREASE...
...WHEN THEY SCRAPE WHAT'S LEFT OF YOU OFF THE WALLS, YOU'LL HAVE HOPED SO, TOO!
KNOW ANY TO GET SWAGGERING THUGS TO SHUT UP?
THWRAAK
I'VE ACQUIRED A DOZEN WAYS TO MAKE THE TOUGHEST MEN TALK...

WEREN'T THEY KEEPING YOU SEDATED IN THE PRISON WARD AT BELLEVUE, TASKMASTER?
SLASSHK!
SHRIIP!
GLAD TO HEAR YOU'RE MAKING PROGRESS...
EXCELLENT THERAPY, TOO, DAREDEVIL! I ONLY MAIMED TWO OF THE GUARDS ON MY WAY OUT!
IT'S THE NEW, EASY-GOING ME!
...TOO BAD THAT STILL PUTS YOU ONE STEP BEHIND AN OLD HARD-CASE LIKE ME!
I GOT THE HORNHEAD FOR YA, MR. LONDON!
KLIK!
WE CAME HERE FOR THE BEEF TERIYAKI, MEATBALL...
KRAAM!
KRTOOM!
GYAAGH!
...NOT A BODY COUNT!
FWROOSH!

KEERASH!
THIS AIN'T OURS, EITHER--
--KEEP 'EM GUESSIN'--
--MR. LONDON! IT'S THE BACKUP!
ZIP IT, MEATBALL!
MOVE!
DON'T EXPECT ME TO DUPLICATE THIS MOVE, RED!
FWKOOM!
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, DAREDEVIL, AND LONG OVERDUE TO ANSWERED FOR WHAT YOU'VE PUT ME THROUGH IN THE PAST!
FOR OLD TIME'S SAKE, I'LL BUY YOU A NICE COFFIN OUT OF MY HALF A MILLION DOLLARS!
YOUR HALF A MILLION? YOUR HALF A MILLION? EXCUSE ME?
KNOW THAT WAY TO SHUT UP A SWAGGERING THUG?
GAAK!

PANG!
PING!
YOUR GETTING THE DROP ON ME BEFORE DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THIS ARMOR'S NEAR IMPENETRABLE TO OUTSIDE ATTACK!
KRANG!
PTING!
PING!
WHO'S TALKING OUTSIDE?
WHEREEVER YOU'VE BEEN STORING THAT HARDWARE, WILBUR, IT'S LEFT YOU VULNERABLE!
STOP BLUFFING, DAREDEVIL!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S MORE PATHETIC, YOUR ARROGANCE OR YOUR ATTEMPT!
WHAT?
PERIPLANETA AMERICANA. THE AMERICAN COCKROACH.
NESTING IN THE MECHANICS OF YOUR LEGS.
ALL OVER THE INSIDE THEY'RE ALL OVER--
RATTLED THEIR CAGE.
YOURS, TOO.

--CRAWLING UP MY--
--AND CREEPING OVER MY--
--HELP!
PEDAL TO THE METAL, JET, M'MAN! GONNA PUT THE FEAR'A GOD IN THAT OL' GEEZER, MAKE HIM GIVE WITH THE GREASE!
FEAR'A GOD.
SCREEEEE
IF YOU WEREN'T DEAD, JIMMY, I'D KILL YOU FOR STARTING THIS MESS!
YO--TIM-BER!
TEACH YOU TO PUT YOUR EYE ON MY MONEY!
TRKOOM!
I--I'M LOSING IT--

FWRAM!
--I CAN'T CONTROL THE HYDRAULICS!
FWR
TOOM!
YOU BELIEVE IN GOD, JET?
I DO NOW.
SMKRAASH!
FWROOSH!

WE FOUND THE GREASE, JET... I CAN SMELL IT!
THAT'S THE STINKIN' HAPPY MEAL YOU DONE LEFT IN THE GLOVE COMPARTMENT FOR THE PAST MONTH AN' A HALF...
I'M BLEEDING I KNOW I'M HIT TORN MUSCLE COMPOUND FRACTURE! TETANUS LOCKJAW GANGRENE GET ME MY SHOTS!
YO, HACKER, YOU GOT ANYTHING FOR THIS BURN?
HELP WITH GETTING HIM DOWN OR THAT HAND GOES FROM "BURN" TO "BROKE"!
COME ON, THEN!
I'LL TAKE YOUR TALENTS, I'LL TAKE YOUR LIVES, AND I'LL TAKE THAT 500 GEES!
OH GOD PLEASE I'LL BE GOOD I PROMISE, JUST KEEP THEM OFF MY—
CAN THIS POSSIBLY GET ANY MORE INSANE?

THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DOLLARS, I FEAR NO GREED... FOR I'M THE POOREST S.O.B. IN THE VALLEY!
REPENT, SINNERS... THINE HOUR OF POVERTY IS AT HAND!
I HAD TO ASK...
NEXT: SLIDE ON BY IN 30 DAYS FOR "GREASE MONKEYS!" NO JOKING!

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Dear Advocates,

Here we go again. It's been about a year since my last top ten list. So from my parent's now overcrowded home in Milwaukee, WI--*THE TOP TEN REASONS WHY NO ONE IS SENDING LETTERS TO DARE-DEVIL:*

#10 Current readers are too scared to write letters. Since there's only one man without fear, and this book's about him, you're expecting too much of us.
#9 Readers bought off by pinhead competition.
#8 Misbelief that letters must be written in braille.
#7 New "ink rationing" movement is currently sweeping the country.
#6 1-900-psychic-hotlines are making writing obsolete.
#5 Concerted effort of the "NO KAREN PAGE–NO LETTERS PAGE!" society (due to the recent break-up of Matt and Karen's relationship).
#4 The "SAVE THE TREES" campaign is working.
#3 Recent hoarding of new "ELVIS" stamps.
#2 Unfinished letters mistaken for homework by hungry domestic animals.

And the number one reason why no one is sending letters to DAREDEVIL (drum roll please!)... because no one really believes their letters will appear in letters page when space is always filled with my top ten lists!

One last thing, when's the Frank Miller/John Romita Jr./Al Williamson/Joe Rosen/Christy Scheele DAREDEVIL: "Year One" limited series coming out?

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This issue's letters page seemed like the perfect place to place the *"SECOND!"* of your very, off-beat, top ten lists, Jim. Why? Because we like you? NO!–because both this issue and next, we're gonna have an awfully large amount of fun with poor old DD!! Does this mean that DAREDEVIL is going to be racked next to SHE-HULK? NO, NO, NO!!!–it just means that the entire creative team is blowing off a little bit of steam before we rush face-forward into the greatest DAREDEVIL event ever--"Fall From Grace." Starting with issue #319, DD's world is going to be drastically changed forever! "Why would you want to see this happen?" you may ask... well... you're just gonna have to wait and see!! This book is never, *and we mean never*, gonna be the same!!!

But to answer your final question, Jimboy, The DAREDEVIL limited series (five issues in all) will ship monthly starting in August–look for it then! IT'S A WORK OF PURE PASSION!!!

Dear Ralph, Pat, and Co.,

I decided that it was finally time to send off my first letter to Marvel after reading your request for letters. I've been reading Marvel, especially DD, on and off for the past three decades. While I hold DAREDEVIL's "Born Again" saga in special regard, #312-313 literally jumped out at me with the excellent work by Scott McDaniel, Bud LaRosa, and M. Scheele. Daredevil not only looks like a man without fear, but a man to be fearful of.

I also salute D.G. Chichester's scripts. The complexity simply added to the enjoyment.

Finally, sometimes I find myself more interested in the alter-ego, rather than the super hero. This is especially true with Matt Murdock. I hope Matt will continue to be featured prominently in storylines. And I hope we have not seen the last of Ms. Karen Page. Keep up the great work.

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Don't worry, Randy, Mr. Chichester's got a very special place in his heart for Karen Page, and he'll make sure she is intimately involved in Matt's life!

Dear Ralf & Pat,

Scott's new character, Shock, is easily one of the most creative foes I've seen DD face in quite some time. And I thought Scott's interpretation of Calypso was fearsome. Now I see that Calypso was just a warm up for the main event. Visually, Shock looks like something that would give Morbius nightmares.

I'm not about to let Scott's work overshadow D.G.'s, though. He writes a strong story, and his characterizations are always right on target.

Keep up the excellent work, guys, and I'll continue to pester my friends to pick up this exciting title.

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Main event? You thought the "Shock" storyline was the main event? For shame, Dave-o! Like we said earlier, we're pulling out all our energy, talent, and great ideas in order to make the "Fall From Grace" storyline the single, greatest, most impressive DD event ever! Everything we do has a purpose–so keep your eyes peeled!! We've been foreshadowing events for months now, and not a single one of our readers seems to have caught on yet!!!

Dear Advocates,

I'm not writing because you need the letters, but to let you know how good DAREDEVIL has become. I haven't followed him too closely over his twenty-nine year career–although my first issue was #9, it was good, but it didn't hook me. Since then I've picked up the occasional issue, but with issue #310, something happened! DAREDEVIL was no longer a comic I could easily ignore!!!

While the INFINITY WAR series itself was a bit of a letdown, the doppelganger concept was one of the most intriguing in decades. Daredevil's was by far the most sinister, and made mine look like Jimmy Olsen. Scott McDaniel is a worthy successor to Wally Wood. He's not only dynamic, but original; he doesn't look like anyone else, and no one looks like him--a rarity these days!

When I sat down to read issue #314, I thought I was the one doing the holding. Before I knew what was happening, the comic reached out, grabbed me by the throat, and wouldn't let go. I don't know exactly what was done to Alan Fagan, but thinking about it made me squirm. Others would have gone for the gut, thankfully you chose to limit the visuals. Okay, I'm riveted. Now what?

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Well, since we want to keep everything a surprise (although everyone here in the office is really bad at keeping secrets) we suggest you start your juices flowing by reading this letters page over and over until you get the feeling we're really trying to force our readers to get about as excited as a shaken jar of bees! Then, check out this summer's DAREDEVIL ANNUAL #9 (see cover art below) because that nasty doppelganger you were so impressed with is making a comeback!! Finally, keep your eyes peeled for each and every issue of DAREDEVIL--'cause everything you've ever come to expect from this title is going to be changed a whole lot!!!

Next issue: DD goes gonzo when it's a slippery, slippery, slippery, slippery world! It's the one issue of DARE-DEVIL that no one on this planet (except for the entire, deranged, creative team) ever wanted to see!! We mean it!!! P.S. Look for the slily cover.